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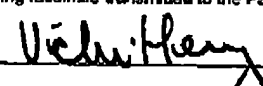
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 17, 2004 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20040914), Applicants hereby provisionally elect species A, directed to a limiter element comprising a pin as described in Figure 2, without traverse.

Currently, claim 8 specifically reads on the elected species.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. Applicant notes that this response is in regard to an election of species requirement, not a restriction requirement. Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

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required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing (146712010300). However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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Respectfully submitted,

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